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1. The main administration of the militia in Riga, Baltic ID, was on Maria Street at the corner of Station Square.
2. The personnel of the main administration of the militia was said to be composed of 200 persons, most of them officers, several NCOs and IM and a small number of civilians.
3. Persons identified included Colonel Krastin (fnu), MVD; Captain Tsirbal (fnu), MVD; Colonel Skellers (fnu), MVD attorney; Major Maretski (fnu), MVD court officer; Vogel (fnu), MVD investigation officer; and Yakobzohn (fnu), MVD investigations officer.
4. Officers wore brown trousers and blouses, white-bordered blue epaulets and red-bordered collar patches with a Soviet Star in one corner, and had caps with red piping and a Soviet Star. NCOs and IM wore black trousers and black blouses, white-bordered blue epaulets without special insignia and black caps with Soviet Star. Civilians wore black trousers, brown blouses, black leather caps and black leather coats without special insignia.
5. Most of the motor vehicles of the main administration of the militia were of German make.
6. The motor transport unit of the main administration of the militia was in a motor repair shop in the port area of Riga and was part of a larger unit which included about 300 workers, mostly PWs. Chief of the motor transport unit was Colonel Gerber (fnu), who was said to be a tank officer. The motor transport unit consisted of about 270 trucks and 90 passenger cars of various types.

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